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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of:

Applicant: JONG Y. LEE

Title: PURIFIED HUMAN ERYTHROPOIETIN RECEPTOR PROTEIN
FRAGMENT AND ANTIBODIES DERIVED THEREFROM

Prior U.S. application no: 09/016,159

Filing Date: January 30, 1998

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

The prior application was filed after June 8, 1995.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

This request includes 2 sheets and the following:

- Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time (1 pg.);
- Check in the amount of \$435; and
- Postcard.

The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

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Total claims in excess of 20 times \$18	\$0
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$78	\$39
Fee for multiple dependent claims	\$0
Total filing fee:	\$419

Under 37 CFR §1.53(d), no filing fee is being paid at this time.

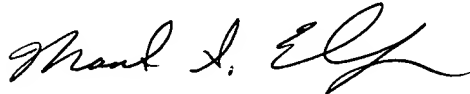
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Respectfully submitted,



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